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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Monday, March 12, 2013 at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Second Floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: 04/09/2013

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Craig Metzner, DVM, President Rachel Longfellow, LVT, Vice-President Roberta Jackson, VMD Natalie Titus, DVM Lena Corder, Public Member Patricia Ennis, Public Member Lynn Nellius, LVT

# **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III Lisa Smith, Administrative Specialist II

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

# **ALSO PRESENT**

James Collins, Director Dave Dryden, Director, Office of Controlled Substances

#### CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Metzner called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

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# **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 12, 2013 meeting. Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder, to approve the minutes as written. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Re-Review of Application for Anthony Durham

The Board reviewed the letter from Anthony Durham's supervisor for the clarification of his supervised hours. Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jackson, to approve Mr. Anthony Durham to sit for the VTNE.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Discussion: Controlled Substance Dispensing and Prescribing

Mr. Collins and Mr. Dryden discussed with the Board the prescription monitoring program (PMP). Mr. Collins asked the Veterinarians on the Board if they felt that vet services should be a part of the PMP and asked what kind of monitoring is done within the vet community. The Veterinarians felt that they wouldn't need to be part of the PMP and they follow the Federal Regulations when it comes to dispensing and keeping records of controlled substances for pets. Mr. Dryden stated that the Office of Controlled Substances go out randomly inspecting Veterinary Offices. After discussion of how the inspections work, the Board decided that they would partner with the Controlled Substance Committee to send out a letter to all Veterinarians to make them aware of increased random inspections taking place. Ms. Wagner will wait for Mr. Dryden to confirm when this letter should be sent out.

#### Review of Applications for the VTNE

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus to approve the following persons to sit for the VTNE:

Damion Webber Annette Borja Jennifer Darring Kristin Bender Lynn Hopson Melanie Demski Leanne Wilkie

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Titus, to table the application of Stacy Dalby. Ms. Dalby's affidavit shows too many hours. A new supervisory affidavit will need to be submitted with corrected hours.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow, to propose to deny Mr. Patrick Buckle's application for too many hours within dates given on affidavit, no copy of license from supervisor and need original transcript not a copy.

After more discussion, Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow, to table the application of Mr. Buckle, to allow time to get the information needed to complete the review of his application.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow, to approve Ms. Kimberly Litif to sit for the VTNE and denying Ms. Litif's request for a temporary license.

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### Review applications for Veterinary Technician Licensure by Examination

There were no applications for Veterinary Technician by examination to review for March.

#### Review of Application for Veterinarian Licensure by Examination

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to approve the following person for veterinarian licensure by examination:

Erika Gennusa

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### Ratification of Application for Veterinarian Licensure by Reciprocity

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow, to ratify the following person for veterinarian licensure by reciprocity:

Laura Curtin-Brown

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### Review of Application for Veterinarian Licensure by Reinstatement

Dr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder, to approve the following person for reinstatement of veterinarian license:

Amberly Sokoloff

By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

#### Status of Complaints

Complaint # 28-02-13 assigned to Dr. Metzner Complaint # 28-01-12 Dismissed

# Review of Continuing Education Courses

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There were no continuing education courses to review for March.

#### **Review of Audits**

The Board reviewed information submitted from the licensees who were contacted for either deficiencies or for not responding to the audit for the August 1, 2010 to July 31, 2012 licensure period. For the licensees that have not responded to the letters sent out giving them 15 days to reply, they will be getting a show cause hearing notice. The licensees that have not responded to the phone calls about being deficient will be getting a letter telling them they have 15 days to bring their audit into compliance.

# OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSION ONLY)

Ms. Wagner received an inquiry about using digital radiography equipment and what steps were needed to be taken in order to use the equipment legally for the purpose of trimming and/or shoeing the equine foot in the State of Delaware. This inquiry doesn't fall within the scope of The Board of Veterinary Medicine unless the equipment is used as a diagnostic tool. Ms. Wagner will be responding to the inquiry stating that they will need to go through the Health and Social Services Office of Radiation to get the requirements of having and operating this type of equipment and making sure they are aware of § 3302 (5)a, b, c and § 3303 when it comes to Veterinary practices of diagnosing.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room A.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Dr. Metzner made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Wagner

Administrative Specialist III

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.